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Re: Application of Yoshihiro SEI, Takehisa KAJIYAMA, Nobuyuki ENDO and  
Kunihisa SHIBAZAKI  
TOOL PATH PREPARING METHOD AND MACHINING METHOD  
Assignee: STAR MICRONICS CO., LTD.  
Our Ref. Q65715

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including thirty-six (36) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, seven (7) sheets of drawings, executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. Also enclosed is the Information Disclosure Statement and PTO 1449 form with reference.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	7	-	20	=	x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independent claims	3	-	3	=	x	\$80.00	=	\$0.00
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Recordation of Assignment	\$40.00
<b>TOTAL FEE</b>	<b><u>\$750.00</u></b>

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$710.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from August 11, 2000, based on Japanese Patent Application No. P.2000-244620. The priority document will be filed at a later date.

**Since the anniversary of the priority date fell on a Saturday, the filing of this application on Monday, August 13, 2001, is sufficient to obtain the benefit of priority.**

Respectfully submitted,  
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